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For: INK, INK-JET-RECORDING METHOD )  
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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed. Applicants also submit herewith a concise explanation of the relevance of Japanese Patent Document No. 6-106862 which is cited on the attached form PTO-1449.

The documents are being submitted within three (3) months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later. Since the documents are being filed within the time period set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) no fee or statement is required.

The Examiner's attention is directed to copending Application No. 10/342,177, naming Toru HARADA, Yoshiharu YABUKI, Manabu OGAWA and Hiroshi IWANAGA as inventor(s) and filed on January 15, 2003, and the documents cited therein, a copy of which is enclosed.

  In accordance with M.P.E.P. § 609(c)(2) (August 2001, page 600-131), the Office is requested to return a copy of this Information Disclosure Statement with the Examiner's initials adjacent to this paragraph indicating that this copending application has been considered. By citation to the copending application, confidentiality is not waived and the Office is requested to maintain the confidentiality of the copending application under 35 U.S.C. § 122.

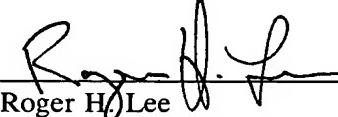
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To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner-initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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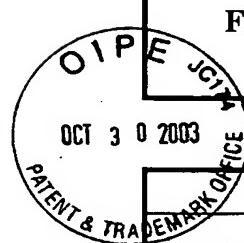
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